

BROTHHOODS ACCEPT PRESIDENT'S PEACE PLAN

MACKENZEN IN COMMAND OF WESTERN ARMY

Germans Put Field Marshal Who Rolled Back Russians, in Charge of All Troops on Somme Front.

ONLY CROWN PRINCE ESCAPES HIS AUTHORITY

New Alignment of Teuton Forces is Duplicate of Eastern Formation—French Repulse Attacks.

International News Service: PARIS, Aug. 18.—There has been a complete re-grouping of the main forces and German commands on the western front since the beginning of the allies' offensive.

Field Marshal von Mackensen, who conquered Serbia, and helped Field Marshal von Hindenburg roll back the Russians in the great Toul drive on the eastern front last summer, has been put in full command of all the Germans on the western front, except the army of the crown prince, according to word brought to Paris from the Somme front by French army officers.

The new German commander-in-chief is reported to have with him as his trusted aides, two of the generals who played a leading part in the Austro-German offensive against Russia.

They are Gen. von Gallwitz and Gen. von Arnim.

Duplicates East Alignment.

The alignment on the western front is nearly a duplicate of that on the eastern front, which seems to acknowledge the superiority of the German generals on the eastern front over those in the western theater of war. Just as in the east Field Marshal von Hindenburg has full control except over the armies of Archduke Karl Franz, so on the western front von Mackensen's authority is supreme except over the army of the German crown prince at Verdun.

Field Marshal von Mackensen is supposed to be personally directing the German defense on the Somme front. French and British army officers who have just come to the front from the Somme battlefield declare that even German prisoners of war are ignorant as to the identity of the supreme commander of the German forces on the Somme front, but from information secured from various sources there is little doubt that von Mackensen is the man chosen by the Kaiser and the German general staff to stem the Anglo-French advance.

Although his services on the eastern front may have been conspicuous, Gen. von Arnim got scant mention. He was formerly in command of the seventh army corps. Gen. von Gallwitz commanded an army in the group led by von Hindenburg. His operations were carried on north of the Vesula, between Warsaw and Ostrodenka.

In the official communique issued at noon the French war office announced the repulse of German counterattacks north of the Somme, in the sector of Maurepas.

The Germans rapidly shifting their attentions from the British to the French battle line delivered strong assaults in an effort to recapture some of the ground lost on Wednesday north and south of Maurepas, but all broke down under the French fire.

Before the infantry actions began there had been a long and violent artillery duel in which the Germans combated with shells all the newly won ground of the French.

There was great activity on the east bank of the Meuse, on the Verdun front. The French attacked along the Fleury-Baumont line, harrying the Germans from their position at Fleury. Near Thiaumont the French also made progress.

Official Report.

The text of the official communique follows: "North of the Somme several attacks in a counter offensive by the enemy against our new positions southeast of Maurepas, were shattered by fire. Prisoners were taken by us.

"South of the Somme, in clearing out the trenches taken by us, we found four machine guns south of Belfoy.

"On the right bank of the Meuse, (Verdun front), an attack by our troops, enabled us after violent fighting, to drive the Germans from the part of the village of Fleury which they were occupying. Several small forces of the enemy are still maintaining themselves in a small block of ruined buildings on the eastern end of the town.

WILSON VETOES ARMY BILL BUT ON ONE CLAUSE

Objects to Exemption of Retired Officers From Articles of War.

International News Service:

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—President Wilson today vetoed the army appropriation bill. At the same time he sent to the house a lengthy message making it plain that this action was entirely due to the incorporation into the measure of the provision that retired officers should not be subject to the articles of war. It is expected that the provision which the president complains about will be eliminated and that the bill then will be repassed by both the house and senate and signed.

Chairman James H. of the house military affairs committee, reintroduced the army appropriation bill in the house with the entire articles of war provision eliminated within half an hour after the president's veto had been received. In its new form the bill was sent back to the committee. It was expected that it would be reported out and passed by the house without a record vote within the next two days.

Reluctant to Delay.

In his veto message the president declares that the army bill is an essential part of the national defense plan and that he expressed "genuine reluctance" in delaying its going into effect by asking that the objectionable provision be eliminated. He admits the necessity of bringing the articles of war up to date as they are in the bill and then declares they should apply to all officers, both active and retired.

Validity in Doubt.

"So long as congress sees fit to make the retired personnel a part of the army of the United States, the constitutionality of the proposed exemption of such personnel from all liability under the articles of war is a matter of serious doubt, leaving the president, as it does, without any means sanctioned by statute, of exercising over the personnel thus exempted the power of command vested in him by the constitution."

The veto message, immediately upon receipt in the house, was referred to the military affairs committee without comment.

MORAL QUESTIONS ON MONEY BASIS

Lecturer Declares Fight For Suffrage is Being Conducted Wrongly.

"Some women believe that because they are good that all women are good, and it is true for this reason that many of you are not carrying on the great fight for women's suffrage in the right way," said R. E. P. Kline in his Chautauqua lecture Friday morning on "Shakespeare's Teaching on Money," based on the play, The Merchant of Venice.

"It is a caution I am uttering, not a criticism, for I believe that the women we have national suffrage in this country the better it will be for us," he continued. "The smaller communities will benefit by the women's vote, but they will be the only places to set prohibition where the men's vote alone will not get it. In the cities the women in politics are engaging in identically the same things as the men, according to the results of all my investigations."

"Those who advocate women's suffrage offer the argument that women are less evil than men and use as a proof of this the fact that the prisons contain few women prisoners in comparison with the number of men prisoners. When you take into consideration that the great majority of women have always remained in the home where they are not subjected to the same temptations that men in the business world are constantly meeting, it is only a natural condition. In England, however, where women have now entered the men's world so extensively, drunkenness has increased amazingly. This is because the women are now facing men's temptations."

Money a Vital Problem.

As Mr. Kline gave his review of the play, The Merchant of Venice, he linked up with the problems of the drama some of the practical problems of today. Money, he says, is one of the great questions of life. Manufacturers fight the eight hour law for women, the child labor law, liquor men fight the prohibition law.

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Austro-German Offensive In Galicia is Repulsed

International News Service: PETROGRAD, Aug. 18.—Under the battering of the Russian troops the Austro-German counter offensive on the Zlota Lipa river in Galicia has been completely repulsed.

This announcement was made today in an official communication from the war office, which also reported important progress for the Russians in the Carpathians where important mountain heights have been occupied at Jablonitz pass.

The text of the official statement follows: "The enemy offensive has been repulsed on the Zlota Lipa west of Podhalce. On the Bystrzyca-Solovyna river we have occupied Lysiecstari on the western bank. We have occupied the heights at Ardzelus. "In the region of Koroz-Mezo we have approached the summits of the mountains."

(Koroz-Mezo lies at Jablonitz pass, known as the gateway to the Hungarian plains and the key to the Carpathians. It is eight miles southwest of the village of Jablonitz which was captured by the Russians earlier in the week. There is a railway line passing through Koroz-Mezo from Galicia into Transylvania.)

Activity along the Dvina and north of Baranovitch indicates that Gen. Ruzsky, the new commander-in-chief of the northern group of Russian armies, is losing no time in the preparations for an offensive. Masses of fresh troops, guns and ammunition are moving to that section of the Russian front.

It is believed that a new and gigantic enterprise will shortly be undertaken with the two main army groups of Gen. Ruzsky and Gen. Brusiloff attacking simultaneously to prevent the Germans from shifting and massing troops.

SOUTH BEND MAN IS HONORED WITH OFFICE

J. H. Zuber Named Vice President of Northern Indiana Editorial Association.

International News Service: ROCHESTER, Ind., Aug. 18.—Pres't C. B. Hamilton of the Garrett Clipper, was elected by the Northern Indiana Editorial association at the closing session today. Other officers were elected as follows:

First vice-president, J. H. Zuber, South Bend News-Times; second vice-president, Omer Downey, Chubbuck Truth; secretary, Dean Barnhart, Rochester Sentinel; treasurer, J. H. Moore, Fulton Leader; executive committee, C. J. Robb, Michigan City News; Harry Palmer, North Manchester Journal, and Geo. D. Lindsay, Marion Chronicle.

Smaller newspapers of the state must cut down their size, conserve space by careful selection of the best news and minimize their free lists if they would not be driven out of business because of the high cost of print paper. This is the general opinion of editors of the Northern Indiana Editors in session here.

SON OF CHICAGO BANKER IS DEAD

International News Service: GREENPORT, N. Y., Aug. 18.—Hugh McKinney, 15 years old, son of Day McKinney, president of the First National bank of Chicago, is dead at the Manhattan casino, Shelter Island. It was at first supposed he died of infantile paralysis, but an autopsy revealed that death was caused by pneumonia.

32 DEATHS REPORTED.

PORT DODGE, Ia., Aug. 18.—Thirty-two deaths from infantile paralysis and 125 new cases were reported today. The deaths were the same as announced yesterday, while the new cases advanced by four. The deaths from the epidemic so far reported, now number 1,561 deaths and the cases 6,911.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS SERVICE: DENIES HE WILL MOVE.

PORT DODGE, Ia., Aug. 18.—William J. Bryan is not going to move to Asheville, N. C., and run for senator, after all. He said so himself here today, replying to a report from Washington. "We probably will live part of the year at Asheville," he said, "but will remain residents of the state of Nebraska."

TEXAS BORDER, who need help. At a conference held in Mayor Keller's office Monday afternoon plans were made to raise \$105 per month to care for these families; \$20 a month for each wife and \$5 per month for each child. Nothing extravagant about that. The bread-winners of these families are at the front doing YOUR work; protecting

the borderline of YOUR country—the country under which you are having a good time at home, probably because you have not been driven to war by conscript, drafting; maybe at the point of a bayonet.

Can't you afford to divide up just a little with the families of these men, YOUR substitutes? The plan doesn't ask much of you; a dollar now and a dollar a month hereafter until further notice—more if you can afford it—or if you cannot afford the continuing subscription, send in what you can in a lump sum. In addition to being a slinker, by not going to the front yourself, DON'T BE A TIGHTWAD!

This estimate of only thirty members so far secured to this 165 club, is based on the anticipation that our contemporary has done no better than we. Today's mail, however, ought to be made to finish the job. Approximately 135 more contributors are needed—or less if you care to stand more than the dollar basis.

Don't worry! There is no danger of the fund growing too large. If you don't like the newspapers, you might mail your subscription or contribution to W. O. Davies, chairman, or Victor Jones, acting secretary of the Chamber of Commerce, or U. G. Manning, city controller. These three constitute the patriotic fund committee. The newspapers are merely inviting your cooperation and acting as free agents. THE ACCOMPANYING BLANK IS AT YOUR SERVICE.

Herewith find \$..... to be used in support of dependent families of Indiana National guardsmen, from South Bend, and vicinity, in the service of the federal government. Will also remit \$..... monthly, until further notice.

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UNIFORMITY IS KEY OF PLAN TO CHECK PLAGUE

Health Experts in Session at Washington Propose Universal Health Certificates For Travelers.

IDENTICAL REPORTS ARE ALSO SUGGESTED

Importance of Rigid Quarantine to Prevent Spread of Disease is Pointed Out. Expect Action Today.

International News Service:

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Definite action which it is claimed will greatly aid the organized efforts to wipe out infantile paralysis was taken at today's session of national health experts and the chiefs of the public health service. Two plans were suggested and thoroughly discussed and will be adopted before the session finally adjourns late today. They were:

1.—The adoption of a uniform health certificate for travelers to be reorganized by all of the railroads of the country and so to do away with the confusion resulting from the issuance of certificates by the different states and local authorities.

2.—The adoption of a uniform system of certificates to be used by all the states in reporting cases of infantile paralysis.

Fulton Makes Report.

The first report, submitted by Dr. John S. Fulton, of Maryland, was formulated by a committee of which he was chairman, together with Drs. Thomas D. Tuttle of Washington, E. G. Williams of Virginia, Henry M. Bracken of Minnesota, and Dr. C. H. Banks of the public health service, all of whom have made special studies of the problem of preventing the interstate spread of the disease.

Dr. Banks for the past six weeks has headed a corps of public health officers who have been studying this question exclusively in New York. This proposed plan for the adoption of uniform health certificates, however, cannot become effective until it has had the approval of the state health authorities. The states control the rules of travel on lines wholly within their borders, while the federal public health service has jurisdiction over interstate travel. The plan therefore is to advise a health certificate which, in addition to the approval of the federal health service, also will have the sanction of the several state authorities. At the conference a number of the railroads representatives have complained of the lack of uniformity in certificates because cer-

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Battles Against Death Penalty



MISHA APPLEBAUM.

NEW YORK.—Misha Applebaum, founder and leader of the "Humanitarian Club," is leading a nation-wide movement for the abolition of capital punishment.

Just at present his efforts are being directed toward saving Charles Stielow, convicted of murdering Kasper, Margaret Wolcott, from the electric chair.

He persuaded Justice Guy to grant a reprieve of one hour and 11 minutes before the time set for Stielow's execution in Sing Sing prison. Shortly after this Irving King's alleged confession exonerating Stielow, was made public. This confession, however, has since been repudiated, it is said.

SMASHES CAR TO AVOID HITTING JUNK WAGON

International News Service:

WAUKESHA, Ill., Aug. 18.—It was learned here today that the \$5,000 automobile belonging to J. O. Denham, which was wrecked near here, was smashed up by a chauffeur to prevent it crashing into a junk wagon. The chauffeur was driving the United States navy bandmen home from the training camp at Lake Geneva, at the direction of Miss Lolita Armour, who is a member of the camp.

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MEN VOTE TO CALL OFF STRIKE PLAN ON WILSON'S COMPROMISE CONDITIONS

Railroad Heads Postpone Meeting With President Until Afternoon when Issues are Taken Up at White House Conference.

EXPECT ROAD OPERATORS TO YIELD FINALLY

BULLETIN.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Railroad brotherhoods committeemen accept Pres't Wilson's plan to prevent strike.

The conference between the railway presidents and Pres't Wilson ended at 2:45 p. m.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—That the brotherhood representatives have accepted Pres't Wilson's compromise proposition to prevent a railway strike was the intimation conveyed by the leaders at 2 o'clock this afternoon when the delegates began to reassemble at the Bijou theater. At that hour the railway presidents were in conference with Pres't Wilson.

While both sides professed to be pessimistic, it was believed that eventually the impending railway strike will be prevented. The railway presidents admitted they were sparing for time, some of them having suggested that they should have a week or 10 days to announce their final decision. The brotherhood representatives, on the proposition of individual expense alone, had demanded action by the roads within a "reasonable time period."

It admittedly was all up to the presidents on this question and none of the railroad officials cared to forecast what the result would be.

International News Service: WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—The railway presidents went into conference with Pres't Wilson at the white house at 1:12 this afternoon. None of them would make any statement for publication before the conference.

Shortly before 10 o'clock today Pres't Daniel Willard of the Baltimore and Ohio, telephoned Sec'y to the Pres't Tumulty a request that the conference between Pres't Wilson and the railway executives be postponed from 11:30 until some time during the afternoon.

Pres't Willard told the white house that the postponement would expedite the questions as issue, as if the conference was held as originally planned the presidents would have to ask for an adjournment to complete their case. By deferring it until later in the day they would be ready to enter into a full and free discussion of all of the questions involved.

Upon receiving Mr. Willard's request the president readily consented to the postponement, setting 2 o'clock this afternoon as the hour at which he would receive the railway presidents.

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